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Assistant Director for Operations

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Chief, FBIB

Narrative for Director's Operational Analysis Handbook

In compliance with memorandum to Chief, FBIB, from the Deputy Assistant Director, OO, dated 28 June 1948, subject: Monthly Progress Report, it is recommended that the following narrative for the FBIB section of the "Director's Operational Analysis Handbook be submitted for the month ending June 30, 1948.

1. Since transfer of the West Coast Bureau to Roseda, California, Latin American coverage has improved considerably without sacrifice to other areas. Gradual reassignment of Far Eastern short-wave transmissions planned during the next 12 months has begun.

2. It is expected that the relocation of the Hawaiian Bureau to Okinawa will replace approximately 50 per cent of present Far East short-wave coverage with equivalent medium-wave coverage and will provide approximately 50,000 words of additional Far East monitoring, represented by some 5,000 words of textual material, particularly from Manchuria, China, Southeast Asia and India.

Progress Status as of 30 June 1948

- a. U. S. Army Engineers are engaged, in conjunction with FBIB engineers, in preparation of detailed drawings and specifications.
- b. Activation of new station is anticipated for late 1949.

3. It is expected that relocation of the Mediterranean Bureau to Cyprus will provide coverage of approximately 50,000 additional words from Soviet satellite nations in Eastern Europe, USSR regional transmitters, Iranian stations and India. Textual material cabled to Washington will be approximately doubled, i.e., 15,000 words daily.

Progress Status as of 30 June 1948

- a. Contract for construction of station near Kyrenia, Cyprus, has been let and construction was started on 25 June 1948.
- b. Activation anticipated for early 1949, unless earlier emergency operation is required by the situation in Egypt.

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4. The relocation of the East Coast Bureau to a site near Fort Washington is not expected to alter materially its coverage range.

Progress Status as of 30 June 1948

a. Site has been acquired and the U.S. Army Engineers are in the process of preparing detailed drawings and specifications.

b. Activation expected in early 1949.

5. On 23 June 1948 the format of the FBIB restricted Daily Report was changed so as to publish it in three separate books each with a distinctive cover; i.e., European (blue), Latin American (pink), Far Eastern (yellow).

6. a. Arrangements have been made to install the FBIB outgoing wire service in the Intelligence Division, Department of the Army.

b. Arrangements have been made to deliver all FBIB publications to the Cables Branch of the Intelligence Division, Department of the Army, where they will in the future be handled in the same manner as other cable material.

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